

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A reclosable beverage container comprising:  
a metal can body having a base and a side wall,  
a metal neck component seamed to a free end of the metal can body, the metal neck component formed as a one-piece unit including a generally frusto-conical ~~shoulder~~ portion and a cylindrical portion joined to the frusto-conical portion by a shoulder, and  
a sleeve which fits over the metal neck component and covers the seam between the neck component and the metal can body;  
wherein (i) the sleeve is of a plastics material, and extends over the cylindrical portion of the neck component, the generally frusto-conical ~~shoulder~~ portion of the neck component, and a portion of the side wall, (ii) the sleeve is at least partially supported by the seam and the shoulder, and (iii) the sleeve is threaded to allow reclosability of the container.
2. (Previously Presented) A container as defined in claim 1, in which the sleeve includes a detent for attaching the sleeve onto the seam.
3. (Currently amended) A container as defined by claim 1, wherein the shoulder is substantially perpendicular to the cylindrical portion. ~~neck component further includes a support portion between the frusto-conical shoulder portion and the cylindrical portion.~~
4. (Currently amended) The container as defined in claim 2, wherein the shoulder is substantially perpendicular to the cylindrical portion. ~~neck component further includes a support portion between the frusto-conical shoulder portion and the cylindrical portion.~~
5. (Previously presented) A container as defined in claim 1, wherein the sleeve is circumferentially continuous.
6. (Previously presented) A container as defined in claim 1, in which the sleeve does not alter flow from the metal container.